CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

April 3, 2013 Agenda Item 2

SUBJECT: Newport North Center Monument Signs Appeal - (PA2012-168)

1200 Bison Avenue

Modification Permit No. MD2012-016

APPLICANT: Irvine Company – John Murphy

PLANNER: Patrick Alford, Planning Manager

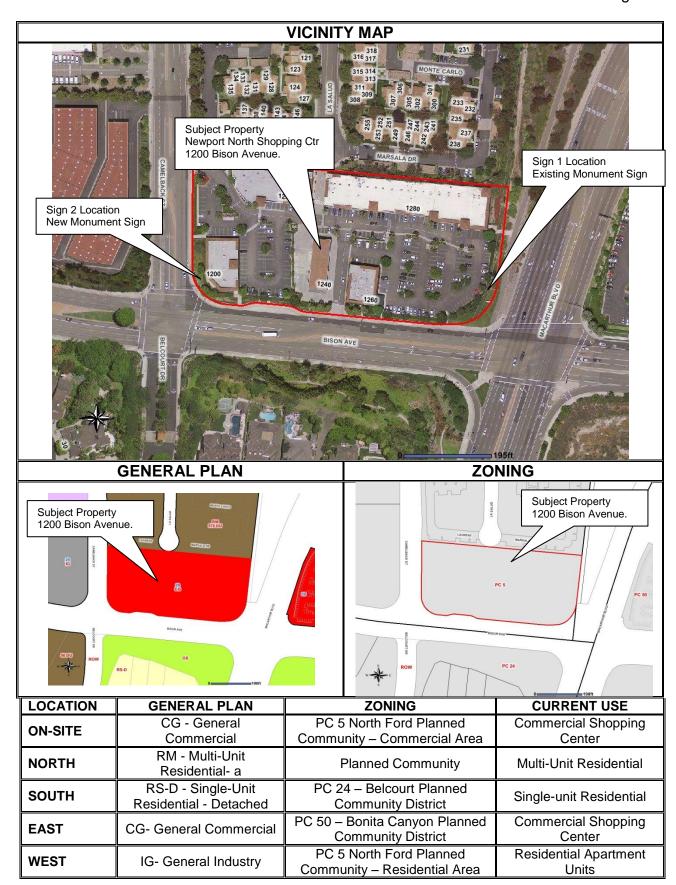
(949) 644-3235, palford@ newportbeachca.gov

PROJECT SUMMARY

An appeal of the Zoning Administrator's decision to approve a modification permit to allow alteration of an existing monument sign, and to allow the addition of a second multi-tenant identification monument sign. The existing monument sign would increase in area from 72 to 81 square feet and increase in height from approximately 8 feet to 9 feet; the new monument sign would measure 56 square feet in area and 6 feet 6 inches in height.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) Conduct a de novo public hearing; and
- 2) Adopt Resolution No. ____, denying the appeal, upholding and affirming the decision of the Zoning Administrator and approving Modification Permit No. MD2012-016 with the attached Findings and Conditions (Attachment No. PC 1).



INTRODUCTION

Project Setting

The project site is the Newport North Shopping Center, which is located on the north side of Bison Avenue and lies between MacArthur Boulevard and Camelback Street. The center is occupied by a gasoline service station, restaurants, retail and service retail uses. To the south, across Bison Avenue, is the Belcourt Terrace Residential Community; to the east, across MacArthur Boulevard, is the Bluffs Shopping Center; to the north is the North Newport Apartments Complex; and to the west is a Mini-U-Storage facility.

Project Description/Action by the Zoning Administrator

On January 24, 2013, the Zoning Administrator approved Modification Permit No 2012-016, to allow alteration of the existing multi-tenant monument sign to allow an increase in area from 72 to 81 square feet and increase in height from 8 feet to approximately 9 feet; and a new monument sign was approved to measure 56 square feet and 6 feet 6 inches tall (Attachment PC 2, Project Plans). The Zoning Administrator staff report and minutes of the hearing are attached (Attachments PC 3 and PC 4, respectively).

The Appeal

On February 6, 2013, Council Member Leslie Daigle appealed the decision of the Zoning Administrator to the Planning Commission (Attachment PC 5). The appeal identified issues related to the authority of the Zoning Administrator to apply the provisions of the Zoning Code; the impact of the multi-tenant monument sign illumination on the neighboring residential community; the multi-tenant monument sign as not permitted by the North Ford Planned Community District (North Ford PC) Regulations (Attachment PC 6), and neighborhood compatibility. While the concerns are presented generally, the appeal letter indicates the crux of the concerns is the illumination and content of the multi-tenant sign located at the corner of Camelback and Bison.

Background

The North Ford PC contains standards for signs that have not changed since they were first adopted in 1968.

On March 3, 2004, the Modifications Committee approved Modification Permit No. 2004-009 to allow a new internally illuminated project identification monument sign for the center.

On August 10, 2011, the Zoning Administrator approved Modification Permit No. 2011-011, to allow a new monument sign as a multi-tenant identification sign.

DISCUSSION

Analysis

Zoning Authority

The appellant is challenging the authority of the Zoning Administrator to approve the subject signs. Specifically, the appellant argues that:

- The Zoning Administrator inappropriately used Zoning Code sign standards instead of those of the North Ford PC; and
- The proposed illuminated multi-tenant sign is not permitted by the North Ford PC.

Section II, General Note No. 7, of the North Ford PC states, "Except as otherwise noted in this ordinance, the requirements of the Newport Beach Zoning Code shall apply. Additionally, Subsection 20.52.050.B.3.f of the Zoning Code allows modifications to increase the allowed height, number and area of signs. Finally, Section 20.42.020.E of the Zoning Code provides that if a planned community development plan does not provide regulations for a particular sign type or situation, the requirements of Chapter 20.42 (Sign Standards) shall prevail.

It is staff's interpretation that the sign standards of the Zoning Code can be applied in cases where the North Ford PC is silent or to otherwise request deviation from its standards. It was under that authority that the actions of the Modifications Committee in 2004 and the Zoning Administrator in 2011, and 2013, were authorized to approve deviations from the sign standards of the North Ford PC to allow the original multi-tenant identification sign.

Regarding the argument that the multi-tenant sign is not a sign type authorized by the North Ford PC, the PC permits each individual business to have an identification ground sign or an identification wall sign. The North Ford PC does not prohibit more than one identification ground sign from being incorporated into a single sign. Such consolidation is good planning practice that should be encouraged, even if it involves modification of the height, number and area of signs.

Sign Illumination

The appellant raised concerns regarding the illumination generated by the proposed new sign at the intersection of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street. In reviewing the application, the Zoning Administrator took into consideration input from staff (Attachment PC 3), written testimony (Attachment PC 7), and public testimony at the public hearing related to the impact of illumination on neighboring residential properties (Attachment PC 4). In response to those concerns, conditions of approval were included limiting the hours of illumination of the new monument sign to between 6 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., daily.

The applicant, in response to the letter of appeal, has provided additional information related to the ambient lighting at the intersection of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street (Attachment PC 8). The conclusions of the lighting analysis is that the increased illumination generated by the new sign will be perceptible immediately in front of the sign, but that any increase in illumination will be negligible or imperceptible as the distance increases away from the intersection. Staff observed the nighttime lighting at the intersection of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street generated by the existing street lights and the traffic signals, and concurs with the conclusions of the lighting engineer.

Compatibility

The appellant also raised a concern that the addition of the new monument sign at the intersection of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street is not compatible with the surrounding area. Bison Avenue is designated as a Primary Road (Four Lane Divided) in the Circulation Element of the General Plan. Bison Road is heavily traveled by motorists to access the SR-73 Toll Road. Staff is of the opinion that the addition of freestanding signs at the subject property, and in particular at the corners of the subject property is consistent with signage typically provided for any shopping center in such a setting. The fact that the proposed monument sign includes the names of individual tenants does not affect compatibility with the surrounding area since it remains a monument sign. However, the issue raised and addressed with regard to the illumination is directly related to compatibility, and conditioned to alleviate that impact.

Conclusion

For the reasons above, staff recommends that the Planning Commission determine that the Zoning Administrator was within the authority as specified by the North Ford PC, the Sign Code and the Modification Permit authority. That the two monument signs as proposed, provide adequate tenant identification and visibility, that the conditions of approval have adequately addressed the illumination concerns of the residential neighbors, and that the signs are compatible with the surrounding area.

Alternatives

As the review authority, the Planning Commission may also:

- 1. Affirm, in part, the action of the Zoning Administrator by modifying or adopting additional conditions of approval; or
- 2. Revise the action of the Zoning Administrator and deny the Modification Permit (a draft resolution for this action is provided as Attachment PC 9).

Environmental Review

The project qualifies for Class 11 (Accessory Structures) categorical exemption, Section 15311 of the California Environmental Quality Act. This class exempts construction, or

placement of minor structures accessory to (appurtenant to) existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities, including but not limited to on-premise signs.

Public Notice

Notice of this hearing was published in the Daily Pilot, mailed to property owners within 300 feet (excluding intervening rights-of-way and waterways) of the property and posted at the site a minimum of 10 days in advance of this hearing consistent with the Municipal Code. Additionally, the item appeared upon the agenda for this meeting, which was posted at City Hall and on the City website.

Prepared by:	Submitted
	by:
Melmal.	Company of the second
of May for	Hellah Kronomi
Patrick J. Alford, Planning Manager	Brenda Wisneski, AICP, Deputy Director

ATTACHMENTS

PC 1	Draft Resolution of Approval with Findings and Conditions
PC 2	Project Plans
PC 3	Jan. 24, 2013, Zoning Administrator Staff Report
PC 4	Excerpt of Jan. 24, 2013, Zoning Administrator Minutes
PC 5	Letter of Appeal
PC 6	Excerpt of North Ford PC Regulations
PC 7	Photos/Correspondence Received
PC 8	Applicant's Letter in Response to the Appeal
PC 9	Draft Resolution of Denial with Findings

Attachment No. PC 1

Draft Resolution of Approval with Findings and Conditions

RESOLUTION NO. 2013- DRAFT

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH DENYING AN APPEAL AND UPHOLDING AND AFFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR AND APPROVING MODIFICATION PERMIT NO. MD2012-016 FOR THE NEWPORT NORTH SHOPPING CENTER LOCATED AT 1200 BISON AVENUE (PA2012-168)

THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH HEREBY FINDS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. STATEMENT OF FACTS.

- 1. An application was filed by John Murphy on behalf of the Irvine Company, property owner, with respect to property located at 1200 Bison Avenue legally described as Lot 6, Tract 12309, requesting approval of a Modification Permit.
- 2. The subject property is located within the PC-5 Zoning District (North Ford Planned Community, General Commercial Area 3) and the General Plan Land Use Element category is CG (General Commercial).
- 3. The applicant requests a Modification Permit to allow reconstruction of the existing and construction of a new second freestanding multi-tenant monument sign to identify on-site retail tenants and the project, where the North Ford Planned Community District Regulations restrict the property to a freestanding signs for project identification only. Additionally, the freestanding signs will exceed the maximum height of four (4) feet specified by the Planned Community District Regulations for monument signs, and more than the 20 percent increase that can be authorized by a comprehensive sign program.
- 4. A public hearing was held on January 24, 2013, by the Zoning Administrator in the City Hall Council Chambers, 3300 Newport Boulevard, Newport Beach, California. A notice of time, place and purpose of the meeting was given in accordance with the Newport Beach Municipal Code. Evidence, both written and oral, was presented to, and considered by, the Zoning Administrator at this meeting. The Zoning Administrator was conditionally approved the application, with the findings and conditions as stated in Resolution No. ZA2013-005.
- 5. On February 6, 2013, an application was received, appealing the decision of the Zoning Administrator that approved Modification Permit No. 2012-016. The appellant raised issues related to sign type, sign illumination, and compatibility with the surrounding area.
- 6. A public hearing was held on April 3, 2013, by the Planning Commission in the City Hall Council Chambers, 3300 Newport Boulevard, Newport Beach, California. A notice of time, place and purpose of the meeting was given in accordance with the Newport Beach Municipal Code. Evidence, both written and oral, was presented to, and

considered by, the Planning Commission at this meeting. The application was conditionally approved.

SECTION 2. CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT DETERMINATION.

- 1. The project has been reviewed, and qualifies for a Class 11 (Accessory Structures) categorical exemption pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (Section 15311, Article 19 of Chapter 3, Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act).
- 2. Class 11 exempts construction, or placement of minor structures accessory to (appurtenant to) existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities, including but not limited to on-premise signs.

SECTION 3. REQUIRED FINDINGS.

Modification Permit to allow the construction of two freestanding signs to exceed the permitted height and to allow the new signs to identify individual tenants (multi-tenant monument signs), where the North Ford Planned Community District Regulations limit the monument signs to 4 feet tall and project identification only.

In accordance with Section 20.52.050.E (Findings and decision) of the Newport Beach Municipal Code, the following findings and facts in support of the findings for a Modification Permit are set forth:

Finding

A. The requested modification will be compatible with existing development in the neighborhood.

Facts in Support of Finding

- 1. The subject property is located in the PC-5 (North Ford Planned Community, Area 3) District and is designated CG (General Commercial) by the Land Use Element of the General Plan. This district is intended to provide for a wide variety of commercial activities oriented to primarily serve citywide and regional needs. The existing commercial development and proposed signage is consistent with this land use designation. The application of the Zoning Code provisions for signs in place of the North Ford Planned Community District Regulations is appropriate since the commercial shopping center is comparable to other such commercial centers located citywide. The proposed signage is accessory to the primary use.
- 2. The freestanding signs, as proposed, are in scale with the property street frontages in that the maximum permissible size for each sign does not exceed 150 square feet.

3. The changes to the existing monument sign and the proposed new monument sign are consistent and comparable with other commercial properties located citywide which have not been deemed incompatible with the surrounding neighborhood.

<u>Finding</u>

B. The granting of the modification is necessary due to the unique physical characteristic(s) of the property and/or structure, and/or characteristics of the use.

Facts in Support of Finding

- 1. The perpendicular orientation of the westerly building to Bison Avenue obstructs the visibility of the tenant wall signs on all buildings that generally face the interior parking lot.
- The freestanding signs as proposed will provide enhanced visibility for vehicular traffic traveling eastbound on Bison Avenue for project identification and individual tenants that range in distance from the street right-of-way of between 35 and 100 feet. This is important for visibility to eastbound Bison Avenue traffic as they approach Camelback Street, which is the last opportunity to access the shopping center, since U-Turns are prohibited to eastbound traffic at the intersection of Bison Avenue and MacArthur Boulevard.
- 3. The proposed increased height of the freestanding signs is necessary due to the overall size of the commercial project, placement of the buildings on the site, and the speed of traffic on Bison Avenue and MacArthur Boulevard. Additionally, several tenants are located interior to the property with limited or obstructed sign visibility from the roadways.
- 4. The change to the existing monument sign will increase in area to 81 square feet and increase in height to 9 feet; and the new monument sign will be 56 square feet and 6 feet 6 inches tall, will provide adequate sign area to provide tenant identification that will be readily visible from the adjacent roadways.

Finding

C. The granting of the modification is necessary due to practical difficulties associated with the property and that the strict application of the Zoning Code results in physical hardships that are inconsistent with the purpose and intent of the Zoning Code.

Facts in Support of Finding

1. The property is developed with four buildings with tenant identification wall signs, some of which are not directly visible from the roadways and which will be supplemented by the visibility of the monument signs.

2. The modification permit will allow freestanding signs that are in scale with the buildings and that provide enhanced visibility from MacArthur Boulevard and Bison Avenue frontages to the greatest extent possible.

<u>Finding</u>

D. There are no alternatives to the modification permit that could provide similar benefits to the applicant with less potential detriment to surrounding owners and occupants, the neighborhood, or to the general public.

Facts in Support of Finding

1. The granting of a modification permit to allow the increased height of the freestanding signs, will also allow identification of multiple tenants with enhanced visibility from MacArthur Boulevard and Bison Avenue. The modification to allow the increased height of the second multi-tenant identification sign will provide visibility to vehicular traffic traveling eastbound on Bison Avenue and allow for direction to the Camelback Street entrance to the shopping center. The visibility provided by the increased height is important since vehicular traffic cannot make a U-Turn at MacArthur Boulevard. Similar provision could not be granted within the parameters of the North Ford Planned Community District Regulations or the Zoning Code that could enhance visibility to remedy the restricted traffic movements in and around the site or on the adjacent roadways.

Finding

E. The granting of the modification would not be detrimental to public health, safety, or welfare, to the occupants of the property, nearby properties, the neighborhood, or the City, or result in a change in density or intensity that would be inconsistent with the provisions of this Zoning Code.

Facts in Support of Finding

- 1. The proposed freestanding signs are consistent with the multi-tenant signage of the commercial projects within North Ford Planned Community and elsewhere in the City and for those reasons will not be detrimental to public health, safety, or welfare to the occupants of the property, nearby properties, the neighborhood, or the City.
- 2. The monument signs as recommended will not interfere with sight distance for vehicles entering or exiting the property from the driveways on Bison Avenue or Camelback Street.
- 3. The signage is for commercial uses in a commercial district and is not in or adjacent to a residential district.

- 4. No foreseeable detriment will result from the approval of the modification permit as conditioned to limit the height and number of multi-tenant monument signs (two only, multi-tenant project signs), with identification of no more than three tenants per sign as recommended by staff; one at the MacArthur Boulevard Frontage and one at the intersection of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street.
- 5. The requirement that illumination of the monument sign located at the intersection of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street be controlled by a timer and turned off between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. is appropriate and necessary to alleviate potential detrimental effect on residential neighbors.

SECTION 4. DECISION.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. The Planning Commission of the City of Newport Beach hereby denies the appeal and upholds and affirms the decision of the Zoning Administrator and approves Modification Permit No. MD2012-016, subject to the conditions set forth in Exhibit A which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference.
- 2. Modification Permit applications do not become effective until 14 days following the date of action. Prior to the effective date, the applicant or any interested party may appeal the decision of the Planning Commission to the City Council by submitting a written appeal application to the City Clerk. For additional information on filing an appeal, contact the Planning Division at 949-644-3200.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF APRIL, 2013.

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:
BY:
Michael Toerge, Chairman
BY:
Fred Ameri, Secretary

EXHIBIT "A"

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

- 1. The development shall be in substantial conformance with the approved site plan, details, and elevations, except as noted in the following conditions and Exhibit "B."
- 2. All signs shall be maintained in accordance with Section 20.42.170 (Maintenance Requirements) of the Newport Beach Municipal Code. Temporary and exempt signs not specifically addressed in this Modification Permit shall be regulated by the provisions of Chapter 20.42 of the Newport Beach Municipal Code.
- 3. Locations of the signs are limited to the designated areas and shall comply with the limitations specified herein and any applicable sight distance provisions of Chapter 20.42 of the Newport Beach Municipal Code or required by the Public Works Department (City Standard 110-L, using S=525 feet for MacArthur Boulevard). Additionally, the applicant shall provide Sight Distance Exhibits for review and approval by the Public Works Department prior to issuance of building permits, if applicable.
- 4. Prior to issuance of building permits for either monument sign, a survey shall be performed to accurately depict the location of the monument signs in relation to the property line and a copy shall be attached to and incorporated into the construction plans.
- 5. In the case of the monument sign located at the intersection of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street, the plans submitted for building permits shall depict and call out all traffic signal equipment located within close proximity to the proposed sign. The AsBuilt Traffic Signal Plan included with the Staff Report Attachment ZA 4, shall also be included in the construction plans.
- 6. The plans submitted for building permits shall show the location of existing Southern California Edison (SCE) Easement.
- 7. Prior to issuance of building permits, the applicant shall submit to the Planning Department an additional copy of the approved architectural plans for inclusion in the Planning Division file. The plans shall be identical to those approved by all City departments for building permit issuance. The approved copy shall include architectural sheets only and shall be reduced in size to 11 inches by 17 inches. The plans shall accurately depict the elements approved by this approval and shall highlight the approved elements such that they are readily discernible from other elements of the plans.
- 8. A building permit shall be obtained prior to commencement of the construction and/or installation of the signs, and in accordance with the applicable Building Codes.

- 9. A copy of the resolution, including conditions of approval Exhibit "A," and Exhibit "B" shall be incorporated into the Building Department and field sets of plans prior to issuance of the building permits for the freestanding signs, to identify this approval as the authority for location, size and placement.
- 10. This approval shall expire and become void unless exercised within 24 months from the actual date of review authority approval, except where an extension of time is approved in compliance with the provisions of Title 20 Planning and Zoning, of the Newport Beach Municipal Code.
- 11. To the fullest extent permitted by law, applicant shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless City, its City Council, its boards and commissions, officials, officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all claims, demands, obligations, damages, actions, causes of action, suits, losses, judgments, fines, penalties, liabilities, costs and expenses (including without limitation, attorney's fees, disbursements and court costs) of every kind and nature whatsoever which may arise from or in any manner relate (directly or indirectly) to City's approval of the Newport North Center Sign Modification Permit including, but not limited to Modification Permit No. MD2012-016 (PA2012-168) and the determination that the project is exempt under the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act. This indemnification shall include, but not be limited to, damages awarded against the City, if any, costs of suit, attorneys' fees, and other expenses incurred in connection with such claim, action, causes of action, suit or proceeding whether incurred by applicant, City, and/or the parties initiating or bringing such proceeding. The applicant shall indemnify the City for all of City's costs, attorneys' fees, and damages which City incurs in enforcing the indemnification provisions set forth in this condition. The applicant shall pay to the City upon demand any amount owed to the City pursuant to the indemnification requirements prescribed in this condition.
- 12. The lighting source for the monument sign located at the intersection of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street shall be controlled by a timer to automatically cease operation between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., daily.

EXHIBIT "B"

SIGN MATRIX

Frontages:

Sign 1.1, MacArthur Boulevard Frontage

Sign 1A.1, Bison Avenue Frontage

Type of Sign & Location	Other Requirements
Monument Sign 1.1 Multi-Panel and Project Identification Sign, MacArthur Blvd	 Max Height: 8 feet 11 inches, average height Max Length: 14 feet. in overall length Max Sign Area: 95 sq. ft. Max Vertical Dimension: Logo or Letter: 36 in; 6-in minimum letter height. Location: Shall be verified by a survey of the existing sign and any change shall be verified to maintain the existing distance from edge of the trail pavement which is approximately 8 feet. Shall not identify more than three (3) retail tenants per side.
Monument Sign 1A.1 Multi-Panel and Project Identification Sign, Bison Avenue	 Max Height: 6 feet 6 inches, average height Max Length: 9 feet 5 inches, overall length Max Sign Area: 44 sq. ft. Max Vertical Dimension, Logo or Letter: 36 in; 6-in minimum letter height. Location: Minimum of 8 feet from property line, unless otherwise required to be greater by the Public Works Department. Shall not identify more than three (3) retail tenants. The lighting source shall be controlled by a timer to automatically cease operation between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., daily.

NOTES/REQUIREMENTS:

- a) Requirements for all signs per Municipal Code Chapter 20.42, freestanding signs per Section 20.42.080 C, except as provided in this sign matrix.
- b) Sign area is the area measured by two perpendicular sets of parallel lines that surround the proposed logo and sign copy. All signs shall substantially conform to the approved attached sign matrix.
- c) Pursuant to Section 20.42.120.F of the Zoning Code, the Community Development Director may approve minor revisions to this approval if the intent of the original approval is not affected.

Attachment No. PC 2

Project Plans

Newport North Center

Signage and Graphics Program

Newport Beach, California Project Number 11003

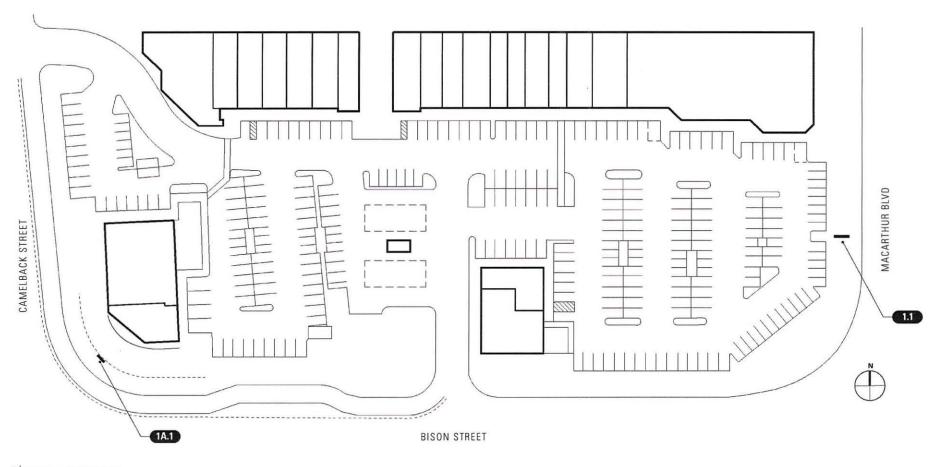
Design Development 11.27.12



Davies Associates

Environmental Graphics
Davies Associates, Inc.
9424 Dayton Way
Suite 217
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
tel 310.247,9572
fax 310.247,9590
www.daviesla.com





1 SITE/SIGN LOCATION PLAN

SCALE: N.T.S.



Davies Associates

Environmental Graphics
Davies Associates, Inc.
9424 Dayton Way
Suite 217
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
tel 310,247,9572
fax 310,247,9590
www.daviesla.com

This drawing and the designs included therein as instruments of service are and shall remain the propert of Davies. Associates like, whethere are not the preject for which they are made in accorded from the page of the build by the Davies are not to usually the Davies are not to usually the Davies are not only one of this project except by agreement in writing with Davies Associates, Inc.

Newport North Center Signage & Graphics Signage and Graphics Program Newport Beach, California Project No. 11003 Irvine Company Retail Properties Design Development

Site/Sign Location Plan



VIEW LOOKING WEST ON BISON



VIEW LOOKING WEST ON BISON



VIEW OF CORNER OF BISON & CAMELBACK



VIEW LOOKING NORTH FROM BISON

1 EXISTING CONDITIONS AT CORNER OF BISON & CAMELBACK

SCALE: N.T.S.

Davies Associates

Environmental Graphics Davies Associates, Inc. 9424 Dayton Way Suite 217 Beverly Hills, CA 90210 tel 310.247,9572 fax 310.247,9590 www.daviesla.com This drawing and the designs included therein as instruments of service are and shall remain the property of Division Associates, less whether or not the propert for which they are made is accessed, they are not to be used by the Owner/Client to either projects or interview. The or other projects or interview of this project except by agreement in weiling with Davier Associates, Inc.

Newport North Center Signage & Graphics

Signage and Graphics Program Newport Beach, California Project No. 11003

Irvine Company Retail Properties Design Development

11.27,12 KK Existing Conditions



VIEW OF CORNER FROM CAMELBACK



VIEW LOOKING SOUTH FROM CAMELBACK



VIEW LOOKING SOUTHEAST FROM CAMELBACK



VIEW LOOKING NORTHWEST FROM BISON

1 EXISTING CONDITIONS AT CORNER OF BISON & CAMELBACK SCALE: N.T.S.



Environmental Graphics
Davies Associates, Inc.
9424 Dayton Way
Suite 217
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
tel 310.247.9572
fax 310.247.9590
www.daviesla.com

This drawing and the designs included therein as instruments of service are and shall remain the present of Daxes. Associates, for whether or not the project for which they are made is account, they are not be used by the Unear Ottom or the projects or instruments of this project county by agreement in whiting with Daives Associates, Inc.

Newport North Center Signage & Graphics

Signage and Graphics Program Newport Beach, California Project No. 11003

Irvine Company Retail Properties Design Development

11.27,12 KK Existing Conditions

NOTES NOLSTI_Merr_sidela 1 .125" THK FABRICATED ALUMINUM CAP WITH PAINT FINISH 2 .125" THK ALUMINUM SIGN CABINET WITH PAINT FINISH 3 INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED 1° THK WHITE TRANSLUCENT PUSH THRU NEW POURED IN PLACE CONCRETE BASE WITH FINISH/TEXTURE AND 4 COLOR TO MATCH EXISTING SIGN. 5 12" CONTINUOUS MOW STRIP 6" HIGH X 1/2" THK, FLAT CUT ALUMINUM ADDRESS COPY WITH PAINT FINISH TO MATCH METAL SIGN CABINET. COPY TO BE PIN MOUNTED WITH BLIND ANCHOR STUDS WITH 3/16" STANDOFF SPACERS.



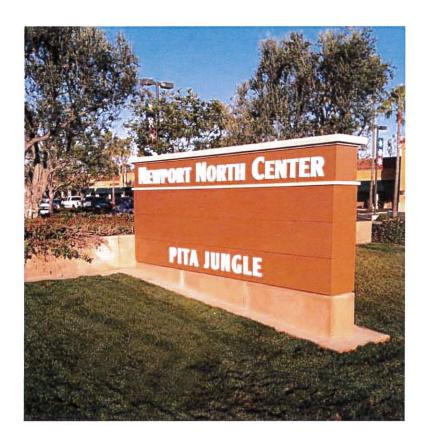
Davies Associates

Environmental Graphics Davies Associates, Inc. 9424 Dayton Way Suite 217 Beverly Hills, CA 90210 tel 310.247.9572 fax 310.247.9590 This drawing and the designs included therein as instruments of service are and adul remain the property of Davies Associates for whether or not the project for which they are made it succept for which they are not to award by the Overal/Client on other projects or extensions of this project assign by agreement in military with Davies Asposition, loc.

Newport North Center Signage & Graphics Signage and Graphics Program Newport Beach, California Project No. 11003

Irvine Company Retail Properties Design Development

11.27,12 KK | Sign Type 1 Sign No. 1.1 Project/Tenant ID Monument



1 | SIGN TYPE 1 - SIGN NO. 1.1 - EXISTING CONDITION

SCALE: N.T.S.



Davies Associates, Inc. 9424 Dayton Way Suite 217 Beverly Hills, CA 90210 tel 310.247.9572 fax 310.247.9590 www.daviesla.com

This drawing and the designs included the term as instrumeds of survice are and shall remain the property of Davies Associates, the where or matter people for which they are made is executed. They are not to be used by the Owner! Climit on other projects or extensions of this proper except by agreement in writing with Davies Associates, live.

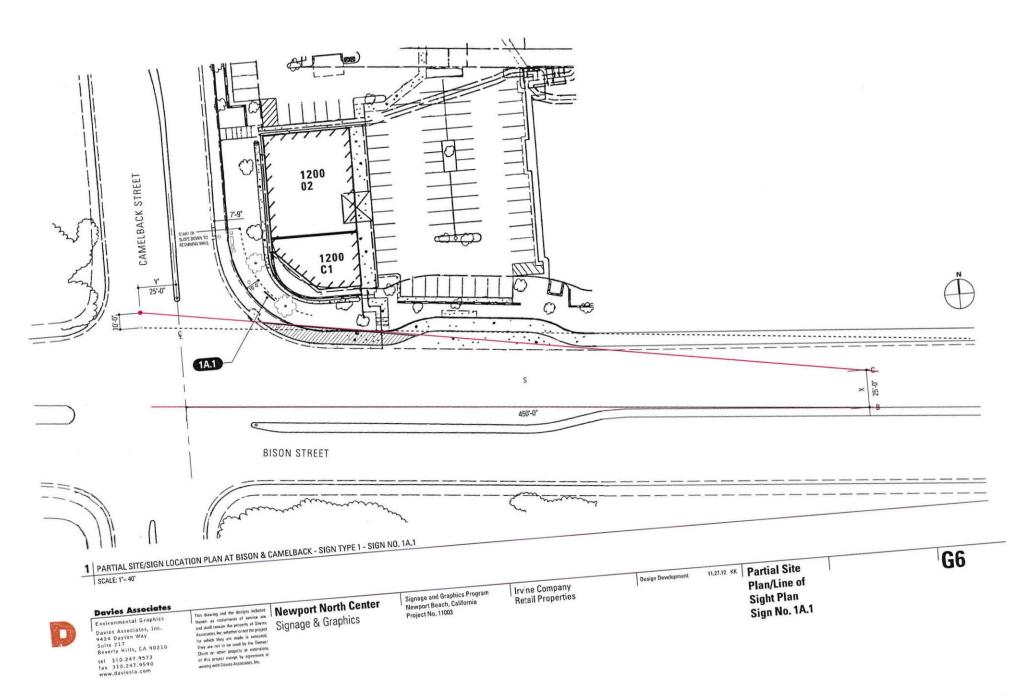
Signage and Graphics Program Newport Beach, California Project No. 11003

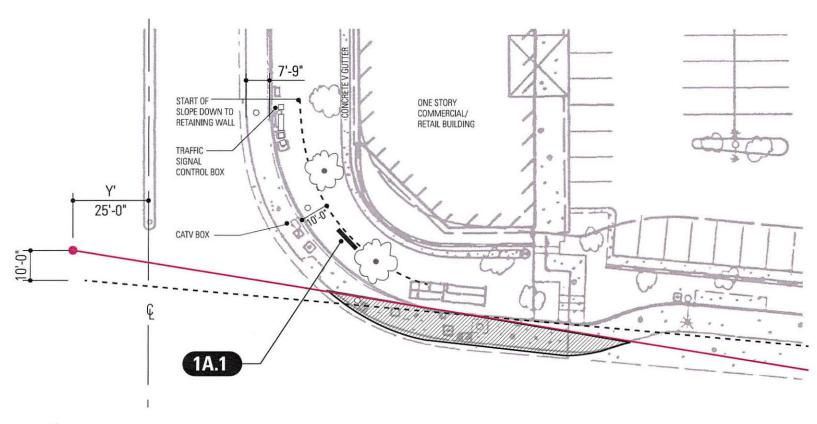
Irvine Company Retail Properties

Design Development

11,27,12 KK Sign Type 1 Sign No. 1.1

Existing Condition Project/Tenant ID Monument





1 PARTIAL SITE/SIGN LOCATION PLAN AT BISON & CAMELBACK - SIGN TYPE 1 - SIGN NO. 1A.1

SCALE: 1"= 20'-0"



Davies Associates Environmental Graphics

Davies Associates, Inc. 9424 Dayton Way Suite 217 Beverly Hills, CA 90210 tel 310.247.9572 fax 310.247.9590 www.daviesla.com

This dealing and the designs included there is a statument of arrive are and dalf fereign the property of Davies. Associats, like whether or not the propert of the whoth they are made in association. They are not to be used by the Onerary Cleant on other properts or extensions of this project except by apprenent in seming with Users accounts.

Signage and Graphics Program Newport Beach, California Project No. 11003

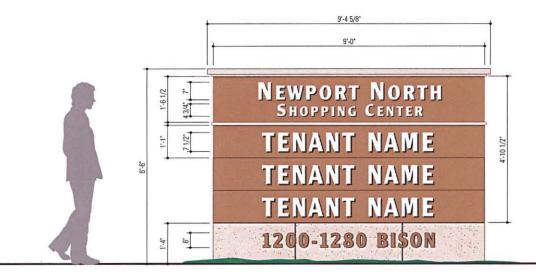
Irvine Company Retail Properties

Design Development

Partial Site/Sign Project/Tenant ID Monument **Location Plan**

Sign No. 1A.1

NOTES NN_ST1_Mivet_ridex_OpttA.us 1 .125" THK FABRICATED ALUMINUM CAP WITH PAINT FINISH 2 .125" THK ALUMINUM SIGN CABINET WITH PAINT FINISH 3 INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED 1" THK WHITE TRANSLUCENT PUSH THRU ACRYLIC LETTERS NEW POURED IN PLACE CONCRETE BASE WITH FINISH/TEXTURE AND 4 COLOR TO MATCH EXISTING SIGN. 5 12" CONTINUOUS MOW STRIP 6" HIGH X 1/2" THK. FLAT CUT ALUMINUM ADDRESS COPY WITH PAINT FINISH TO MATCH METAL SIGN CABINET, COPY TO BE PIN 6 MOUNTED WITH BLIND ANCHOR STUDS WITH 3/16" STANDOFF SPACERS.



1 1'-3'
1'-0'
1 1'-0'
2 SIDE VIEW

1 ELEVATION - SIGN TYPE 1A - SIGN NO. 1A.1 - 44 SQ. FT. SIGN PANEL AREA - PROPOSED PROJECT/TENANT I.D. MONUMENT SIGN AT CORNER OF BISON & CAMELBACK

SCALE: 1/2" = 1'-0"

SCALE: 1/2" = 1'-0"



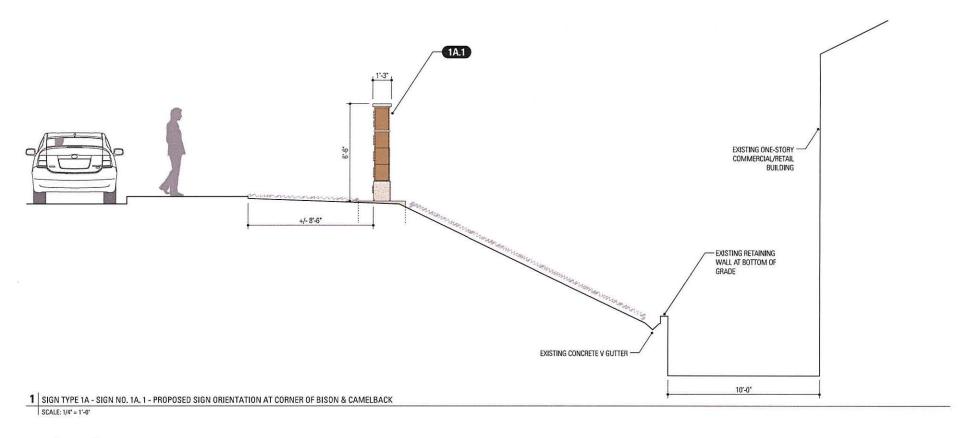
Davies Associates, Inc. 9424 Dayton Way Suite 217 Beverly Hills, CA 90210 tel 310.247.9572 fax 310.247.9590 www.daviesla.com This drawing and the designs included therein as instruments of service are and shall remain the property of Davies Associates, be, whether or not the project for which they are made is executed. She are not be said by the Outer/Chief on other project or extensions of this project except by agreement in writing with Daviet Associates, be.

Newport North Center Signage & Graphics

Signage and Graphics Program Newport Beach, California Project No. 11003 Irvine Company Retail Properties Design Development

11 27 12 K

Sign Type 1A Sign No. 1A.1 Proposed Project/Tenant ID Monument





Davies Associates

Environmental Graphics Davies Associates, Inc. 9424 Dayton Way Suite 217 Beverly Hills, CA 90210 tel 310.247.9572 fax 310.247.9590 www.daviesla.com

This dowing and the designs included therein as instruments of service are and shall remain the property of Dwies Associates, fixe whether or not the project for which they are made is secured. They are not to be used by the Owner! Client on other projects or extensions of this precise cought by agreement in writing with Davies Associates, Inc.

Newport North Center

Signage & Graphics

Signage and Graphics Program Newport Beach, California Project No. 11003

Irvine Company **Retail Properties** Design Development

11,27,12 KK Sign Type 1A Sign No. 1A.1 **Proposed Sign** Orientation

Project/Tenant ID Monument



VIEW LOOKING NORTH FROM BISON

1 PHOTOSIM - SIGN TYPE 1A - SIGN NO. 1A.1 - (CORNER OF BISON & CAMELBACK)

SCALE: N.T.S.





This drawing and the designs included therein as instruments of service are and shall remain the property of Davies Associates, like whether or not the project for which they are made is associated. They are not to be used by the Owner/ Client on other projects or extensions of this project except by Agreement in writting with Davies Associates. Inc.

Newport North Center Signage & Graphics

Signage and Graphics Program Newport Beach, California Project No. 11003

Irvine Company Retail Properties

Design Development

11.27.12 KK | Sign Type 1A.1 **Photosim**

Project/Tenant ID Monument

Attachment No. PC 3

Jan. 24, 2013, Zoning Administrator Staff Report

SEWPORTE OF SERVICE OF

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

PLANNING DIVISION

3300 Newport Boulevard, Building C, Newport Beach, CA 92663 (949) 644-3200 Fax: (949) 644-3229

www.newportbeachca.gov

CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH ZONING ADMINISTRATOR STAFF REPORT

January 24, 2013 Agenda Item No. 2

SUBJECT: Newport North Center Monument Signs (PA2012-168)

1200 Bison Avenue

Modification Permit No. MD2012-016

APPLICANT: Irvine Company – John Murphy

PLANNER: Javier S Garcia, AICP, Senior Planner

(949) 644-3206, jgarcia@newportbeachca.gov

ZONING DISTRICT/GENERAL PLAN

Zoning Code – PC-5, Area 3 Commercial (North Ford Planned Community) General Plan – CG (General Commercial)

PROJECT SUMMARY

A Modification Permit to alter an existing monument sign fronting on MacArthur Boulevard, converting it to a multi-tenant sign; and to allow the addition of a second multi-tenant monument sign at the intersection of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street (northeast corner of the property). The existing monument sign will increase in area from 72 to 81 square feet and increase in height from approximately 8 feet to 9 feet; and the new monument sign will be 56 square feet and 6 feet 6 inches tall.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) Conduct a public hearing; and
- Adopt Draft Zoning Administrator Resolution No. ZA2012-____ approving Modification Permit No. MD2012-016 (Attachment No. ZA 1).

DISCUSSION

- The property is located in the PC-5 (North Ford Planned Community) District. Newport North Shopping Center is currently occupied by a mix of commercial uses. Land uses include retail storefronts and a gasoline station.
- The property is subject to both pedestrian and vehicular traffic, which prompts the need for adequate visible signage to identify the on-site tenants and direct the public to safely arrive at the shopping center.
- The configuration of the site, limits vehicular access to westbound traffic on Bison Avenue and to northbound traffic on Camelback Street, and the mix of uses create a need for the modification permit to allow an additional monument sign at the corner of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street. This is important for visibility to eastbound traffic as they approach Camelback Street, which is the last opportunity to access the shopping center, since U-Turns are prohibited to eastbound traffic at the intersection of Bison Avenue and MacArthur Boulevard.
- The North Ford Planned Community Regulations limit identification monument signs up to 4-feet-tall and 150 square feet maximum sign area when located within 20 feet of the property line. This regulation does not provide for tenant identification or adequate sign visibility. Sign visibility to identify the site is particularly ineffective for vehicular traffic traveling eastbound on Bison Avenue to facilitate access to the shopping center due to the two limited access points available. Additionally, the visibility of wall signs on the building to identify individual tenants within the shopping center is also limited by the distance of the buildings from the roadways. Therefore, the two monument signs will alleviate visibility by placement in locations that better serve persons seeking the shopping center.
- Staff believes that the additional sign area is necessary to provide adequate visibility and identification of the site and to the mix of individual tenants within the area from on-site and off-site vantage points.
- A modification permit is required to allow the monument signs to exceed the 4 foot height provisions and to allow for the identification of individual tenants whose wall signs are not visible from the roadways. The increased height is necessary for adequate identification of individual tenants with letter sizes that are visible to vehicular traffic traveling on the adjacent roadways.
- This approval will supersede Modification Permit No. MD2011-011, approved August 10, 2011, which permitted a monument sign (project identification only) fronting on MacArthur Boulevard, limited to 14 feet, 4 ½ inches long, 7 feet 11 inches high, 72 square feet of sign area, and identifying the shopping center only and not any individual tenants.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The project qualifies for Class 11 (Accessory Structures) categorical exemption, Section 15311 of the California Environmental Quality Act. This class exempts construction, or placement of minor structures accessory to (appurtenant to) existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities, including but not limited to on-premise signs.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of this hearing was published in the Daily Pilot, mailed to property owners within 300 feet (excluding intervening rights-of-way and waterways) of the property and posted at the site a minimum of 10 days in advance of this hearing consistent with the Municipal Code. Additionally, the item appeared upon the agenda for this meeting, which was posted at City Hall and on the City website.

<u>APPEAL PERIOD</u>: An appeal may be filed with the Director of Community Development, within fourteen (14) days following the date the action or decision was rendered unless a different period of time is specified by the Municipal Code (e.g., Title 19 allows ten (10) day appeal period for tentative parcel and tract maps, lot line adjustments, or lot mergers). For additional information on filing an appeal, contact the Planning Division at 949 644-3200.

Prepared by:

Javier S. Garcia, AICP,

Senior Planner

BW/jsg

Attachments: ZA 1 Draft Resolution

ZA 2 Vicinity Map

ZA 3 Applicant's Justification Letter

ZA 4 Photos, Traffic Signal Plan, and Project Plans

Attachment No. PC 4

Excerpt of Jan. 24, 2013, Zoning Administrator Minutes

NEWPORT BEACH ZONING ADMINISTRATOR MINUTES Council Chambers - 3300 Newport Boulevard Thursday, January 24, 2013 **REGULAR HEARING** 3:30 p.m.

A. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

> Staff Present: Brenda Wisneski, Zoning Administrator

> > Jason Van Patten, Planning Technician Javier S. Garcia, AICP, Senior Planner

B. MINUTES of January 10, 2013

Action: Approved

C. **PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

ITEM NO. 1 819 West Balboa Boulevard Parcel Map No. NP2012-010 (PA2012-170)

819 West Balboa Boulevard

CD₁

Jason Van Patten, Planning Technician, provided a brief description of the project stating that an existing single family residence was to be demolished and would be replaced with a proposed two-unit condominium project. Mr. Van Patten added that the application for a parcel map would allow each unit to be sold individually and that the applicant had not requested a waiver of Title 19 Subdivision standards. He further noted that plans for the two-unit condominium project were in plan check and that the applicant was subject to in-lieu housing fees, park dedication fees and fair share fees.

Mike Schmidt, applicant, introduced himself. He stated that he had read the resolution and the required conditions.

The Zoning Administrator opened the public hearing.

One member of the public, Jim Mosher, spoke and stated that he was unclear as to the justification of the required fees specified by Conditions No. 6, 7, and 8. He further had questions and comments regarding the language of the CEQA exemption, Coastal Commission review, and clarity of Conditions No. 5 and No. 10.

In response to Mr. Mosher, Zoning Administrator Wisneski stated that additional fees were assessed based on the increase in number of units.

Seeing that no one else from the public wished to comment, the public hearing was closed.

Zoning Administrator Wisneski noted that the resolution would be revised to clarify the CEQA reference as raised by Mr. Mosher, and approved the resolution as amended for Parcel Map No. NP2012-Q10.

Action: Approved

Newport North Center Monument Signs Modification Permit No. MD2012-016 (PA2012-168) ITEM NO. 2

1200 Bison Avenue CD 4

Javier Garcia, Senior Planner, provided a brief project description and noted minor corrections to the staff report and the resolution. He briefly described the project site and the proposal to increase the height of the existing monument on MacArthur Boulevard by one foot and a new monument sign to be located at the corner of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street. Mr. Garcia described prior history regarding right-of-way changes that occurred with regard to the MacArthur Boulevard property line which may have affected the location of the existing monument sign. Mr. Garcia also stated he was contacted by Mr. Bob McCaffrey expressing his concern with the illumination of the monument signs affecting the residential living areas. Mr. McCaffrey's property at 40 Hillsdale Drive, Belcourt Terrace, indirectly overlooks the subject property. To address this concern, Mr. Garcia distributed an additional condition of approval requiring limiting the illumination of the new monument sign between 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.

The Zoning Administrator opened the public hearing.

Nancy Mallar, President of the Belcourt Terrace Homeowners Association (a sub-association of North Ford), noted residents within her community expressed concerns with the visibility of the new sign as viewed from the Belcourt Terrace community. She expressed that the existing sign is bright and that other freestanding signs on Bison Avenue are not illuminated.

Jim Mosher, resident, expressed his appreciation that the proposed and existing monument signs include the project address. He felt that the proposed sign was similar to the freestanding signage at the Westcliff Plaza Shopping Center which is an eyesore. He stated that the Planned Community text was last amended on February 26, 2008 and that the PC text should be amended to address the proposed signage. He opined that the PC text allows a 20-foot tall multi-tenant sign and questioned whether the proposed signs achieve reasonable identification of the center. He contends that a sign further west of the center would be a better solution to give motorists earlier notice of the center. He also suggested relocating or constructing a subterranean vault for an existing traffic signal box located at the corner of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street. He also commented on typographical errors in the staff report and the resolution.

Seeing that no one else from the public wished to comment, the Zoning Administrator closed the public hearing.

Mr. Garcia addressed the type of sign that Mr. Mosher questioned. Mr. Garcia described the two types of signs listed in the Planned Community District regulations which are project identification and multi-tenant directory signs. The proposed signs are a hybrid of the two types, and not a multi-tenant directory sign, since not all tenants are identified. Staff also expressed current trending of signs and tenant mix of multi-tenant buildings.

The Zoning Administrator raised questions related to the exact location of the MacArthur Boulevard sign and requested that a condition be included requiring the survey be submitted confirming the location of the existing sign. The applicant concurred with that requirement. The Zoning Administrator expressed that there was a need for the second sign located at the intersection of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street for motorists traveling eastbound. The Zoning Administrator stated, and applicant agreed, that the sign program require the new sign be a minimum of eight feet from the property line, and not allow for discretion by the Public Works Department. Concerns with regard to lighting were discussed. The Zoning Administrator stated that the proposed sign design and materials were consistent with other Irvine Company signs, and that is was important to maintain that consistency. To address the concerns of the Belcourt residents, in addition to the fact that the businesses on the center are closed after 10:00 p.m., the Zoning Administrator supported including the condition added by staff. However, to accommodate business hours, she modified the condition to require the lights to be shut off between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., daily. The discussion and comments were incorporated into the resolution for approval.

Zoning Administrator Wisneski noted that the clarification and changes discussed would be provided with regard to comments raised by Mr. Mosher, the concerns of the neighbors, with concurrence of the applicant, and adopted the resolution as amended for Modification Permit MD2012-016.

Action: Approved as amended

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The hearing was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

The agenda for the Regular Hearing was posted on January 18, 2013, at 2:35 p.m. on the City Hall Bulletin Board located outside of the City of Newport Beach Administration Building and on the City's website on January 18, 2013, at 2:55 p.m.

Brenda Wisneski, AICP, Zoning Administrator

Attachment No. PC 5

Letter of Appeal



Appeal Application

Community Development Department Planning Division 3300 Newport Boulevard, Newport Beach, CA 92663 (949)644-3204 Telephone I (949)644-3229 Facsimile www.newportbeachca.gov

For Office Use Only	
Date Appeal Filed:	
Fee Received:	
Received by:	

	www.newportbeachca.gov		ricosivou by:		
Application to app	peal the decision of the:	Zoning Administrator☐ Planning Director☐ Hearing Officer			
Appellant Informa	tion:	J			
	Leslie Daigle				
Address:	2201 Vista Huer	ta			
City/State/Z	_{ip:} Newport Beach,	CA 92660			
Phone: <u>(9</u> 4	49) 233-4869_ Fax:	Email: _			_
Appealing Applica	ation Regarding:	Murnhy	2		
Name of App	olicant: Irvine Compa	Murphy Date of Decision Activity No.:	on: January	24,20	013
Project No. (PA): 2012-168	Activity No.: _	MD 2012 -0	0(6	
		N AVENUE			
		Permit to alter an			unt
		Bly. 1) and to allow			/
Bison A	tre and Camela	Dack Street, Both	signs are i	Humin	19 toil
Reason(s) for App	eal (attach a separate she	et if necessary):Pleas	e see attachment		
			IS ISE		_
				2	
			=======================================	Ħ	丑
				8	
			夏芝品	-6	m
Along with applica	ition, please submit the f	ollowing:	国首吊	2	<
• Twelve (12) 11x	17 sets of the project plans	6	93	2:4	
		labels) for all property owner terways, of the subject site.	ers within a 300-fo	ot radiu	ıs,
Signature of Appe	balà	Date:	1/6/2013	2	
- Commence : The F					-

Brown, Leilani

From: Sent:

lesliejdaigle [lesliejdaigle@icloud.com] Wednesday, February 06, 2013 2:25 PM Garcia, Jay; Brandt, Kim; Brown, Leilani

To: Cc:

leslieidaigle@icloud.com

Subject:

Belcourt Appeal

From Evernote:

Belcourt Appeal

I appeal the Zoning Administrator's decision of MD2012-016 in my capacity as a Council Member representing the general public.

The City of Newport Beach has a long tradition of developing and adopting Planned Community texts to address the unique conditions of a local area. Conformity with the Planned Community text ensures compatibility with the local area.

The center falls under the North Ford Planned Community text with specific provisions for signage. A proposed illuminated multi-tenant identification monument sign(s) is not modifying an existing sign type permitted in the PC text. This type of sign is invented out of whole cloth.

The Zoning Administrator substantiates the finding "A": "The requested modification will be compatible with existing development in the neighborhood," with untrue facts. (Resolution No. ZA2013-005)

The evidence that "the proposed signage is consistent with the Zoning Code applies the wrong set of standards to the review." The project should be reviewed against the North Ford Planned Community text, which provides a specific sign program for the center.

The evidence that "changes to the existing monument sign and the proposed new monument sign are consistent and comparable with other commercial properties located city wide that are compatible with surrounding areas" applies the wrong standards and analysis. The proposal should be evaluated for its compatibility with the area surrounding the center bearing the sign placement and not in the context of a faraway center's compatibility with its surrounding area.

The introduction of an illuminated multi-tenant identification monument sign at Camelback/Bison is visually intrusive both in its illumination and content to the property owners who have resided next to a center that is a fixture in our community. Residents sought my involvement in the appeal of MD2012-016.

The North Ford Planning Community sign program allows for individual tenant identification signs in the ground and placed on a wall. The sign program permits one Multi-Tenant Directory Sign listing only the name of the business.

The proposal is for a multi tenant identification monument sign located along street frontage. This type of sign is not a permitted sign in the North Ford PC text. It is a hybrid of two permitted sign types.

The Zoning Administer's analysis that an illuminated multi-tenant monument sign should be installed at Camelback/Bison so that a motorist does not miss the center and continue to the next intersection were a U-turn is prohibited misses the intent of the sign. It is a multi-tenant identification monument sign intended to advertise tenants, not identify the center. No such sign type exists in the North Ford PC.

Both the applicant and Zoning Administrator have misinterpreted sign types permitted in the North Ford PC. The applicants proposes to "modify" a sign type that is not permissible in the North Ford PC - a multi tenant identification monument sign designed for advertising tenants to the external environment.

I travel along Bison in an easterly direction as I am a frequent customer of businesses at the center and utilize the US Post Office along Camelback. The conclusion I draw from driving the area is different than that of the project applicant and Zoning Administrator. I would appreciate their consideration to re-visit the area during the evening hours.

The center has been a fixture in the community for many years. Residents already know where it is. There are two signalized intersections within a few hundred feet that prevent a car from building up speed and shooting past the center. I fail to see how motorists miss the center due to a lack of visibility or excessive motorist speed.

The Zoning Administrator applies the wrong set of standards, fails to analyze the project for compatability with the surrounding area, and grants a modification to an impermissible sign type in the North Ford PC.

As I progress through Findings "B" and "C" I find additional shortcomings. At this stage, I believe significant issues have been raised about this approval. I may submit additional issues as this application will be heard at a de novo hearing of the Planning Commission.

Let me be clear. I have been elected, and re-elected, to fairly represent my constituents. The crux of the resident's concerns is the illumination and content of a multi-tenant monument sign located at the corner of Camelback and Bison.

Please contact me at (949) 233-4869 if you want to discuss my appeal of MD2012-016. Thank you.

Attachment No. PC 6

Excerpt of North Ford PC Regulations

E. Signs

1. Identification Sign Area - General Standard

Only one (l) single or double-faced identification sign shall be permitted per street frontage for each individual business.

No sign shall exceed an area equal to one and one-half (1-1/2) square feet of sign for each one (1) foot of lineal frontage of the building or store. However, no sign shall exceed 200 square feet in area per face.

a. <u>Identification Ground Sign</u>

An identification ground sign shall not exceed four (4) feet above grade in vertical height. Also, ground signs in excess of 150 square feet in area (single face) shall not be erected in the first twenty (20) feet, as measured from the property line, of any streetside setback. However, the above standards shall not apply to the Multi-Tenant Directory sign or the allowed signs listed in the Sign Appendix of this Ordinance.

b. Identification Wall Sign

In no event shall an identification sign placed on a wall comprise more than 10 percent of the area of the elevation upon which the sign is located. Said signs shall be fixture signs. Signs painted directly on the surface of the wall shall not be permitted.

2. Restaurant Pole Sign (including bar and theater/nightclub)

One (1) identification pole sign per site will be allowed.

If a pole sign is utilized it shall be in lieu of other identification signs allowed by E. 1. a. and b. above. Pole signs shall be limited to a maximum height of twenty (20) feet and a maximum area of fifty (50) square feet per face, double-faced.

3. Multi-Tenant Directory Sign

One (1) directory sign listing only the name of the firms or businesses on a site shall be allowed. Said sign shall be limited to a maximum height of twenty (20) feet. Panels identifying each individual store shall be no larger than one (1) foot in height and five (5) feet in length.

4. Real Estate Sign

Said sign shall not exceed a maximum area of thirty-two (32) square feet and shall be of a ground type sign.

5. Special Purpose Sign

Signs used to give directions to traffic or pedestrians or give instructions as to special conditions shall not exceed a total of six (6) square feet (single face) in area and shall be permitted in addition to the other signs listed in this section.

6. Additional Signs

Additional signs as listed in the Sign Appendix of this Ordinance shall be permitted according to the criteria and performance standards contained in said appendix.

F. Building Height

All building appurtenant structures shall be limited to a maximum height of thirty-two (32) feet.

G. Sign Standards

- 1. Signs (to include all those visible from the exterior of any building) may be lighted but no signs or any other contrivance shall be devised or constructed so as to rotate, gyrate, blink or move in any animated fashion.
- 2. Signs shall be restricted to advertising only the person, firm, company or corporation operating the use conducted on the site or the products produced or sold thereon.
- 3. A wall sign with the individual letters applied directly shall be measured by a rectangle around the outside of the lettering and/or the pictorial symbol and calculating the area enclosed by such line.

All signs attached to the building shall be flush mounted.

H. Parking

1. Restaurants, bars and theater/nightclubs

Parking shall be in accordance with Title 20 of the Newport Beach Municipal Code.

2. Outdoor, Drive-in and Take-Out Restaurants

Parking shall be in accordance with Title 20 of the Newport Beach Municipal Code.

3. Commercial

One (l) space for each 250 square feet of gross floor area. One (1) loading space for each 10,000 square feet of gross floor area.

I. Landscaping

Detailed landscaping and irrigation plans, prepared by a licensed landscape architect, licensed landscaping contractor, or architect shall be submitted to and approved by the Director of Parks, Beaches, and Recreation prior to the issuance of a building permit and installed prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy.

All landscaping referred to in this section shall be maintained in a neat and orderly fashion.

Attachment No. PC 7

Photos/Correspondence Received

To: ZONING ADMINISTRATOR Subject: Additional Materials Received

Item No. 2a: Additional Materials Received
Zoning Administrator Hearing January 24, 2013
Newport North Center Monument Signs Modification (PA2012-168)

From: bob mccaffrey [mailto:bobmac988@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, January 22, 2013 2:50 PM

To: Garcia, Jay

Subject: PA2012-168

Mr. Garcia

My wife and I reside at 40 Hillsdale Drive Newport Beach. The property involve in this request is very close to our residence which backs up to Bison and overlooks Camelback.

We would attend the meeting but we are out of town and unable to be part of this hearing. If this issue is going to be discussed at a later meeting we would like to be advised and participate.

We object to the signage request and the lumination of the proposed sign. The lighting is a major concern as it will intrude into the bedrooms at the rear of our house.

The concern of the requestor was traffic coming from Jamboree. This is not the primary source of traffic which would need additional signage. This would be primary a form of advertising and would detract from ambience of the neighborhood. The signage would not be in a position to aid traffic flow therefore we strongly oppose this request for a variance.

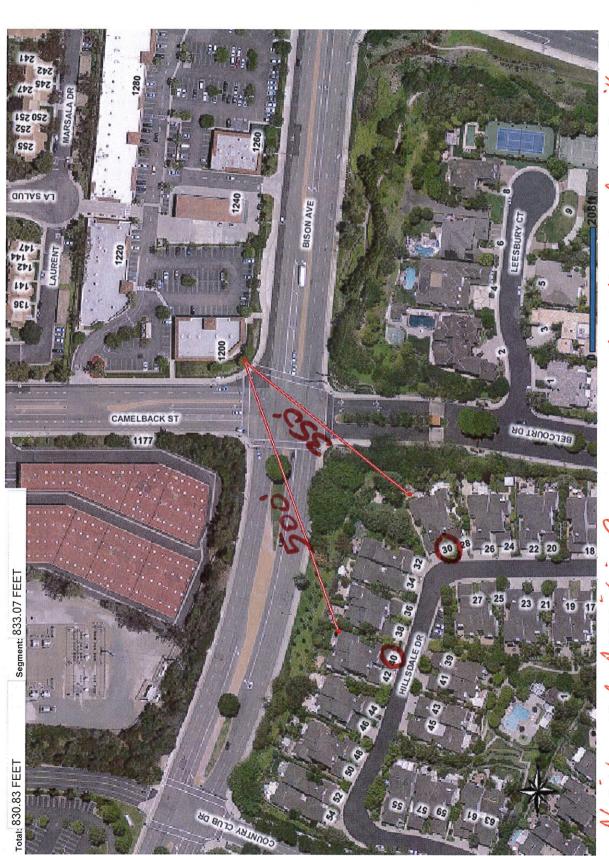
If you have any question regarding our concerns; we can be reached by email.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCaffrey 40 Hillsdale Drive Newport Beach, CA 92660



VIEW FROM NORTHBOUND LANE OF CAMELBACK STREET FACING NORTHWEST.



and Illyminating. Association Concerns 30 and 40 Hallsdale Du

Attachment No. PC 8

Applicant's Letter in Response to the Appeal



March 7, 2013

Newport Beach Planning Commission Attn: Chairman Michael Toerge 3300 Newport Boulevard Newport Beach, CA 92663

Community Development Department Attn: Jay Garcia, Senior Planner 3300 Newport Boulevard Newport Beach, CA 92663

Subject: Response to Appeal of Zoning Administrator Approval of Modification Permit

MD 2012-016, Resolution No. ZA2013-005

Dear Chairman Toerge:

On January 24, 2013, following a public hearing, the Zoning Administrator (ZA) for the City of Newport Beach approved a Modification Permit now before the Planning Commission on appeal. CAA Planning, Inc. (CAA), on behalf of Irvine Company, submits the following response and respectfully requests that the Planning Commission deny the subject appeal.

Background

The Modification Permit now under appeal applies to the Commercial Planning Area (Newport North Shopping Center) of the North Ford Planned Community (PC) Sign standards. The subject modification permit approval would allow changes to an existing monument sign located at the intersection of MacArthur Boulevard and Bison Avenue (referenced herein as "existing sign") and the placement of a new monument sign to be located at the intersection of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street (referenced herein as "new sign").

On February 6, 2013, an appeal was filed by Council Member Daigle on behalf of the general public stating in part that the North Ford PC sign regulations do not specifically allow for the signs approved by the ZA and that the ZA did not use the correct standards to review the proposed signs. The appeal went on to state that the ZA misinterpreted the sign types permitted in the North Ford PC regulations, and failed to analyze the project for compatibility with the surrounding area. While these appeal comments were made generally, the monument sign proposed for at the corner of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street is the principal concern based on the location in relation to the adjacent Belcourt residential development.

Response to Appeal Issues

Standard of Review



Mr. Michael Toerge/Mr. Jay Garcia March 7, 2013 Page 2 of 4

The appeal states that the ZA did not use the correct standard of review in approving the Modification Permit, stating that the North Ford PC sign regulations do not contain specific standards for ground mounted monument signs.

There are several sign types allowed by the PC, including identification ground signs, identification wall signs, restaurant signs, and a 20' tall multi-tenant directory sign. The PC does not include monument signs. The City's sign code (Zoning Code Section 20.42.010 E.) specifies that in Planned Community districts, the sign regulations contained in a PC prevail, except where the PC does not provide regulations for a particular sign type or situation, in which case the Zoning Code prevails. In this instance, the PC does not include regulations for a monument sign, so the sign regulations contained within the Zoning Code are used.

The application of the Zoning Code provision for signs in place of the North Ford PC is appropriate since the PC does not include monument signage and because the commercial shopping center is comparable to other such commercial centers located citywide and should be allowed monument signage. The Zoning Code allows monument signs with a maximum average height of 6' and a maximum width 1.5 x the average height.

The proposed Bison Avenue and Camelback Street sign is 6'6" in height and 9'4^{5/8}" in width. This exceeds the height that is allowed by the zoning code by 6" and, therefore, requires a modification permit. The City's modification permit process allows an increase in the height, area and number of signs (Zoning Code Section 20.52.050).

The ZA approved the modification permit to allow for this increase in size from 6' to 6'6". The width of the sign at $9'4^{5/8}$ " is consistent with the Zoning Code standard of 1.5 x the average height (1.5' x 6.5' = 9.75'). With the modification permit, the sign is consistent with the City's standards for monument signs. By applying Zoning Code Section 20.41.010.E, for signs within Planned Communities, the ZA used the correct standard of review in approving Modification Permit 2012-016 and monument signs are allowed.

Compatibility with the Surrounding Area

The appeal states that the approved monument signs are not compatible with the neighborhood setting and specifically that the proposed monument sign at the intersection of Bison Avenue and Camelback Street is of particular concern because the illumination is visually intrusive to nearby (Belcourt) residents.

In approving the modification permit, the ZA correctly referenced that the shopping center is designated CG (General Commercial) by the Land Use Element of the Newport Beach General Plan and that the CG District is intended to provide a wide variety of commercial activities oriented to primarily serve citywide or regional needs. The ZA found that the changes to the existing monument sign at MacArthur Boulevard and Bison Avenue and the new monument sign at Bison Avenue and Camelback Street are in scale with the property street frontages and consistent and compatible with other commercial properties located citywide. This finding is



Mr. Michael Toerge/Mr. Jay Garcia March 7, 2013 Page 3 of 4

consistent with the substantial vehicular traffic flows adjacent to the shopping center documented by the Orange County Transportation Authority as follows: 7,000 vehicles per day on Bison Avenue and 34,000 vehicles per day on MacArthur Boulevard.

The ZA found that the monument sign at Bison Avenue and Camelback Street would provide enhanced visibility for vehicular traffic traveling eastbound on Bison Avenue for project identification and individual tenants that range in distance from the street right-of-way between 35 and 100 feet. The Bison Avenue and Camelback Street traffic signal provides the only entry to the shopping center for vehicles traveling eastbound (towards MacArthur Boulevard). There is no left-in access to the shopping center from Bison Avenue and U-turns are prohibited at the Bison Avenue and MacArthur Boulevard intersection; if a vehicle misses the shopping center at the Camelback Street entry the next opportunity to turn around is at The Bluffs shopping center.

Although both monument signs will be illuminated (and the existing sign on MacArthur Boulevard has been illuminated for several years), as stated in the appeal, the monument sign proposed at Bison Avenue and Camelback Street is of particular concern because it will be located across the intersection from the Belcourt residential development. It should be noted that the existing ambient light at this location is typical of other comparable four-way signalized intersections with pedestrian crossings from sidewalks which are illuminated by street lights. At this location, traffic movements are controlled by through signals and left turn arrows for vehicles travelling on Bison Avenue and Camelback Street and entering/exiting the Belcourt residential development.

Upon receipt of a written comment of concern from a Belcourt resident in advance of the ZA Hearing, the new monument sign was specifically conditioned by the ZA to address the concern of illumination. The condition required that a timer be installed to ensure that the sign would not be illuminated between the hours of 10:00 pm and 6:00 am.

The Belcourt resident indicated the following in an email to the project planner, Mr. Jay Garcia, on January 22, 2013. With respect to lighting, the email states: "The lighting is a major concern as it will intrude into the bedrooms at the rear of our house." In response to this comment and the appeal, a special lighting analysis was completed by Linwood Engineering Associates, P.C. Consulting Engineers (included as an attachment). The analysis objectively compares the proposed monument sign illumination in context with existing light sources at the Bison Avenue and Camelback Street location.

The lighting analysis evaluated the type of illumination to be used in the new sign (internally lit with LED) for consistency with the City of Newport Beach Municipal Code, The California Green Code, California Energy Code, and with Standards set by the IES (Illuminating Engineering Society) of North America. Because the sign will be internally lit with LED, the resultant effect is a smooth and even illumination to limit glare into the roadway and adjacent properties.



Mr. Michael Toerge/Mr. Jay Garcia March 7, 2013 Page 4 of 4

The conclusions of the lighting analysis show that the proposed sign installation complies with all local and state codes and standards and that the sign increases light levels perceptibly only in the immediate vicinity of the sign. The increase in light levels at the opposite street corner (across Camelback Street) would be less than 0.002 percent. Light levels at the other street corners across Bison Avenue near the entrance to the Belcourt residential development would be immeasurable. The lighting analysis makes a recommendation relative to how the sign LED lighting should be adjusted to ensure that "light trespass" is kept well below maximum allowed levels.

Summary and Conclusion

The Zoning Code specifies that when a particular sign type is not called for in a PC's sign regulations, the sign regulations contained in the Zoning Code are to be used. In this case the ZA applied the correct standard of review using the sign regulations provided for within the Zoning Code and in approving the Modification Permit for the two monument signs for the Newport North Shopping Center. As noted, the General Plan land use designation is designated CG (General Commercial) which provides a wide variety of commercial activities oriented to primarily serve citywide or regional needs. The location of the shopping center at the intersection of Bison Avenue and MacArthur Boulevard, principal roadways with substantial traffic volumes, combined with the proximity to a major arterial highway, support the ZA's finding that monument signage is appropriate.

The ZA was responsive to the concern expressed by the Belcourt resident by conditioning the time allowed for the illumination of the new monument sign at the Bison Avenue and Camelback Street intersection. A subsequent lighting analysis confirmed that the type of LED lighting proposed for this particular sign will limit glare onto the roadway and adjacent properties. In fact, the added light levels across the intersection towards Belcourt will be so low as to be immeasurable.

In conclusion, we respectfully request that the Planning Commission deny the appeal of Modification Permit MD 2012-016, Resolution No. ZA2013-005 and uphold the decision of ZA.

Sincerely,

CAA PLANNING, INC.

Shawra L. Schaffon

Shawna L. Schaffner Chief Executive Officer

Attachment: Special Lighting Analysis, Linwood Engineering Associates, P.C.



151 Kalmus Dr, Suite B-200 Costa Mesa, CA 92626 t:714.424.0001 f:714.424.0004

955 Lincoln Avenue Glen Rock, NJ 07452 t:201.857.3998 f:201.857.3994

City of Newport Beach Planning Commission 3300 Newport Blvd Newport Beach, CA 92663

Re: Monument Sign at Corner of Bison and Camelback

Dear Sir or Madam,

We have completed a thorough analysis of this sign addition and we have come to the following conclusions:

- The sign installation complies with all applicable codes and standards, including:
 - o Newport Beach Municipal Code
 - o California Green Code
 - o California Energy Code
 - o Standards set by the IES (Illuminating Engineering Society) of North America.
- As detailed in Exhibits 2 and 4, the sign will increase light levels perceptibly only in the immediate vicinity of the sign. At the opposite street corner (point E) the change in light level is less than 0.002% compared to existing, or 1 in 50,000. At the other street corners it is so low as to be immeasurable. This dramatic fall off is due to the Inverse Square Law, which states that light levels decrease exponentially with distance¹.
- To achieve appropriate light levels, the installing contractor shall adjust the dimming feature of the sign as prescribed in the test procedures of Exhibit 6. This will ensure that Light Trespass is kept well below maximum allowed levels².
- The sign is internally lit with LED, which provides a smooth and even illumination to limit glare into the roadway and into adjacent properties^{3,4}.

Adam C. Forni, PE, IES
Senior Associate
Linwood Engineering Associates, P.C.

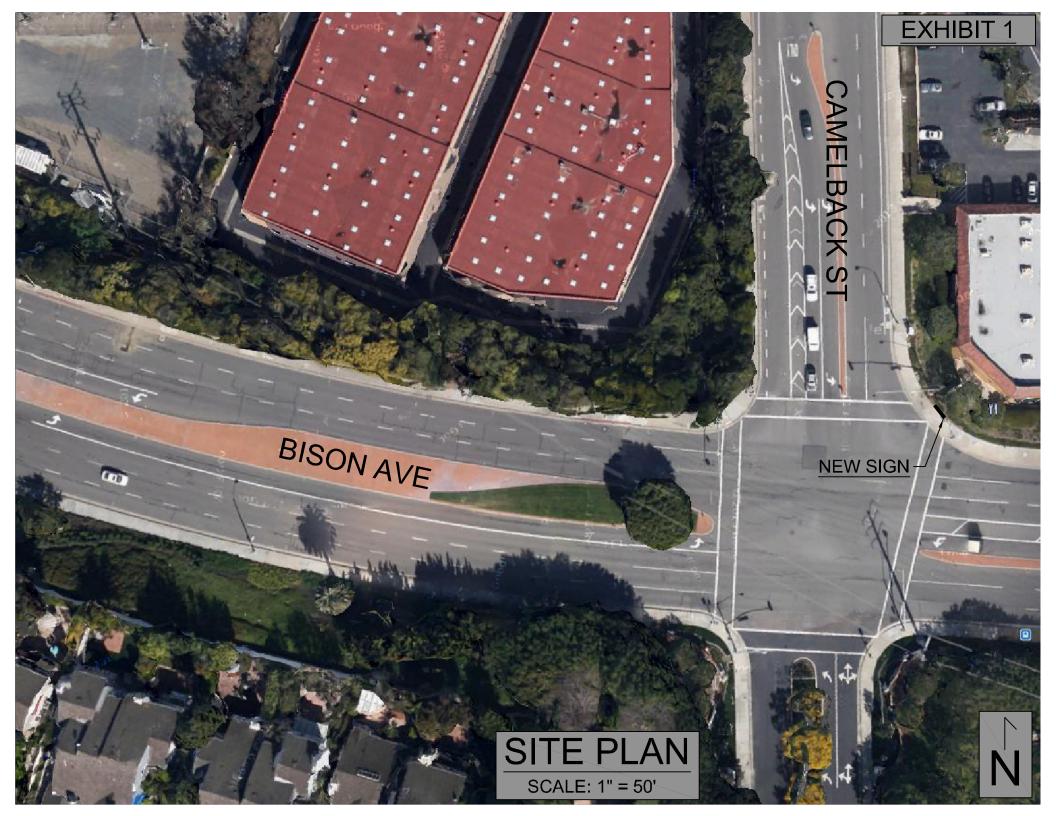
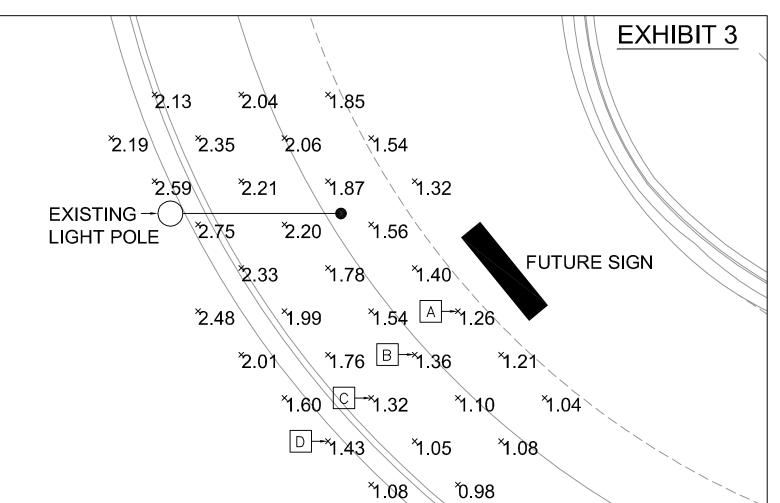


EXHIBIT 2 IMPACT OF NEW SIGN AT VARIOUS POINTS CAMELBACK ST **POINT** DISTANCE FROM **EXISTING ADDED** % ADDED **FUTURE SIGN FC LEVELS FC LEVELS FC LEVELS** HORIZ/VERT HORIZ/VERT HORIZ/VERT A - D 5' TO 20' SEE LATER EXHIBITS 0.000 / 0.002 0.00% / 0.00% Ε 115' 0.17 / 0.93 F 175' 0.23 / 0.85 0.000 / 0.000 0.00% / 0.00% G 420' 0.11 / 0.15 0.000 / 0.000 0.00% / 0.00% Ε NW CORNER BISON AVE **NEW SIGN** POINTS A THRU D SEE LATER EXHIBITS G 50' PAST LIGHT POLE (E) LIGHT POLE F SW CORNER SITE PLAN SCALE: 1" = 50'



EXISTING LIGHT LEVELS

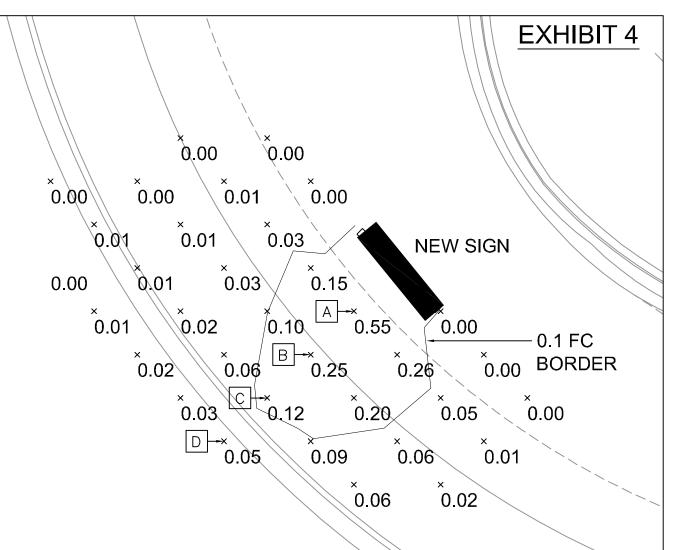
POINT	DISTANCE FROM FUTURE SIGN	EXISTING FC LEVEL HORIZ.
A	5'	1.26
В	10'	1.36
С	15'	1.32
D	20'	1.43

POINTS MEASURED 01 MAR 2013 8PM



EXISTING HORIZONTAL ILLUMINANCE

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'

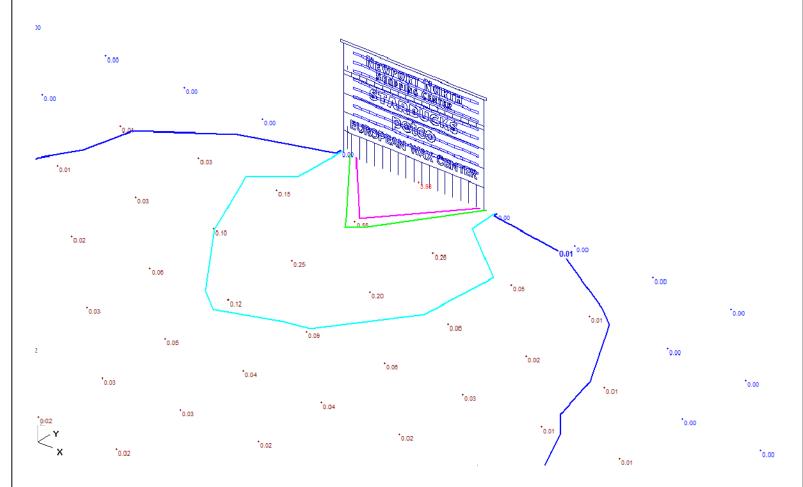


IMPACT OF NEW SIGN

POINT	DISTANCE FROM FUTURE SIGN	EXISTING FC LEVEL HORIZ.	ADDED FC LEVEL HORIZ.	% ADDED FC LEVEL HORIZ.
A	5'	1.26	0.55	0.55/1.26 = 43%
В	10'	1.36	0.25	0.25/1.36 = 18%
С	15'	1.32	0.12	0.12/1.32 = 9%
D	20'	1.43	0.05	0.05/1.43 = 3%

ADDED HORIZONTAL ILLUMINANCE

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'



3D PHOTOMETRIC MODEL

SCALE: NONE

PRODUCED WITH VISUAL-PRO SOFTWARE WITH 144 LED MODULES, MODEL: SIGN-BOX 701-946-CWSBL.

Exhibit 6. Field Calibration.

Contractor shall perform the following steps after the sign has been installed:

- 1. After complete darkness, measure the horizontal illuminance level at a point on the ground, 5' in front of the front edge of the sign. The sign should be turned off. The light meter should be facing straight up. Mark down the footcandle level to the nearest hundredth (expected level 1.26 fc).
- 2. Turn on the sign. Adjust the dimmer light level control so that the new illuminance level does not increase more than **0.55 footcandles** above the baseline. (e.g. 1.26 + 0.55 = 1.81)
- 3. Lock the dimmer setting in place.

Exhibit 7. References.

- 1. <u>The Inverse Square Law of Light</u>. Georgia State University. <u>http://hyperphysics.phy-astr.gsu.edu/%E2%80%8Chbase/vision/isql.html</u>
- 2. [IESNA] Illuminating Engineering Society of North America. 2000c. Light trespass: Research, results and recommendations. New York: Illuminating Engineering Society of North America. IESNA TM-11–2000. 9 p.
- 3. Newport Beach Municipal Code, Illuminated Sign Standards section 20.42.060H.
- 4. Philip M. Garvey. On-Premise Commercial Sign Lighting and Light Pollution. Leukos Vol 1 No 3 January 2005 Page 7 18

Attachment No. PC 9

Draft Resolution of Denial with Findings

RESOLUTION NO. 2013- DRAFT

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH REVISING THE DECISION OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR AND DENYING MODIFICATION PERMIT NO. MD2012-016 FOR THE NEWPORT NORTH SHOPPING CENTER LOCATED AT 1200 BISON AVENUE (PA2012-168)

THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH HEREBY FINDS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. STATEMENT OF FACTS.

- 1. An application was filed by John Murphy on behalf of the Irvine Company, property owner, with respect to property located at 1200 Bison Avenue legally described as Lot 6, Tract 12309, requesting approval of a Modification Permit.
- 2. The subject property is located within the PC-5 Zoning District (North Ford Planned Community, General Commercial Area 3) and the General Plan Land Use Element category is CG (General Commercial).
- 3. The applicant requests a Modification Permit to allow reconstruction of the existing and construction of a new second freestanding multi-tenant monument sign to identify on-site retail tenants and the project, where the North Ford Planned Community District Regulations restrict the property to a freestanding signs for project identification only. Additionally, the freestanding signs will exceed the maximum height of four (4) feet specified by the Planned Community District Regulations for monument signs, and more than the 20 percent increase that can be authorized by a comprehensive sign program.
- 4. A public hearing was held on January 24, 2013, by the Zoning Administrator in the City Hall Council Chambers, 3300 Newport Boulevard, Newport Beach, California. A notice of time, place and purpose of the meeting was given in accordance with the Newport Beach Municipal Code. Evidence, both written and oral, was presented to, and considered by, the Zoning Administrator at this meeting. The Zoning Administrator was conditionally approved the application, with the findings and conditions as stated in Resolution No. ZA2013-005.
- 5. On February 6, 2013, an application was received, appealing the decision of the Zoning Administrator that approved Modification Permit No. 2012-016. The appellant raised issues related to sign type, sign illumination, and compatibility with the surrounding area.
- 6. A public hearing was held on April 3, 2013, by the Planning Commission in the City Hall Council Chambers, 3300 Newport Boulevard, Newport Beach, California. A

notice of time, place and purpose of the meeting was given in accordance with the Newport Beach Municipal Code. Evidence, both written and oral, was presented to, and considered by, the Planning Commission at this meeting. The application was conditionally approved.

SECTION 2. CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT DETERMINATION.

- 1. The project has been reviewed, and qualifies for a Class 11 (Accessory Structures) categorical exemption pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (Section 15311, Article 19 of Chapter 3, Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act).
- 2. Class 11 exempts construction, or placement of minor structures accessory to (appurtenant to) existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities, including but not limited to on-premise signs.

SECTION 3. FINDINGS.

- 1. The North Ford Planned Community District Regulations establish sign standards that are intended to provide compatible commercial activity.
- 2. The modification would be incompatible with existing development in the neighborhood by allowing a new, internally-illuminated multi-tenant monument sign that is not provided for by the North Ford Planned Community Regulations.
- 3. The illumination of the proposed multi-tenant monument sign would be result in negative visual impacts to the adjacent residential areas.

SECTION 4. DECISION.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

 The Planning Commission of the City of Newport Beach hereby reverses the decision of the Zoning Administrator and denies Modification Permit No. MD2012-016.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 3 rd DAY OF APRIL, 2013.
AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:
BY: Michael Toerge, Chairman
BY: Fred Ameri, Secretary

Correspondence

Item No. 2a

Newport North Center Monument Signs Appeal

PA2012-168



Robert M < rmccaffrey8@gmail.com>

(no subject)

1 message

Robert M < rmccaffrey8@gmail.com>
To: Robert M <rmccaffrey8@gmail.com>

Wed, Apr 3, 2013 at 5:05 PM

Page 1 of 2

Communities and Property Impacted

Newport North Center Monument Signs

Zone PC-5 North Ford Planned Community

Jay Garcia, AICP, Senior Planner City of Newport Beach 949-644-

3206

Communities and Property Impacted

Bayridge One Ford Road Belcourt Liberty Baptism Church min U Store

Contacts regarding traffic on MacArthur and Bison Brad Sommers, PE Senior Civil Engineer Public Works Department City of Newport Beach 949-644-3326

Wallace Talbert, GIS Analyst Geographic Information System Section Orange County Transit Authority 714-560-5763

Business within Newport North Center and Hours of Operations

Business	Hours of Operation
Sole Comfort	10:00 AM to 7:00 PM Monday to Saturday
	11:00 AM to 6:00 PM Sunday
Labels	10:00 AM to 6:00 PM Monday to Saturday
European Wax Center	8:30 AM to 8:00 PM Monday to Friday
	9:00 AM to 6:00 PM Saturday and Sunday
Pilates Plus	6:00 AM to 7:00 PM Monday to Saturday
	10:00 AM to 6:00 PM Sunday
Elegance Dentistry	9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday to Friday

Radiant SPA

Baskin Robbins 11:00 AM to 10:00 PM Sunday to 11:00 AM to 11:00 PM Thursday Friday and Saturday 4:30 AM to 9:00 PM Monday to Friday Mag's 4:30 AM to 8:00 PM Saturday 4:30 AM to 7:00 PM Sunday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday to Friday Scottrade Northpoint North Cleaners 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM Monday to Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Saturday Monday to Friday Master Tailoring 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Saturday Royal Jewelers 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM Monday to Saturday 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM Monday to Friday Eye Exams 9:00 AM to 7:30 PM Sunday to Saturday Happy Nails 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM Monday to Friday Li'l Baby Sprouts 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM Saturday PetCo 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM Monday to Saturday 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM Sunday 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM Monday to Saturday Tully's 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM Sunday Champagnes 7:30 AM to 9:00 PM Monday to Friday 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM Saturday and Sunday Chevron 24 hours Sunday to Saturday 11:00 AM to 9:00 PM Sunday to Wednesday Pita Jungle 11:00 AM to 10:00 PM Thursday to Saturday 5:30 AM to 9:00 PM Monday to Friday

7:30 AM to 6:00 PM

9:30 AM to 6:00 PM

Saturday

Sunday

Newport North Center Monument Signs Appeal



Planning Commission Public Hearing April 3, 2013



Introduction



Appeal of Modification Permit MD2012-016

- Modification permit to alter two monument signs (one existing, one new)
- Approved by Zoning Administrator
- Appealed to the Commission by Council Member Daigle

Vicinity Map





Site Photographs





VIEW LOOKING WEST ON BISON



VIEW LOOKING WEST ON BISON



VIEW OF CORNER OF BISON & CAMELBACK



VIEW LODKING NORTH FROM BISON

Site Photographs





VIEW OF CORNER FROM CAMELBACK



VIEW LODKING SOUTH FROM CAMELBACK



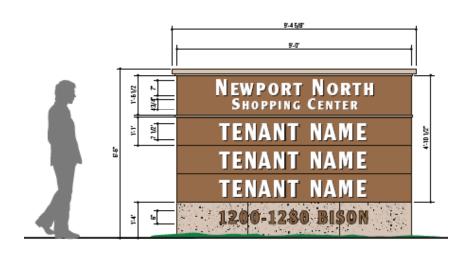
VIEW LOOKING SOUTHEAST FROM CAMELBACK



VIEW LOOKING NORTHWEST FROM BISON

Project Details



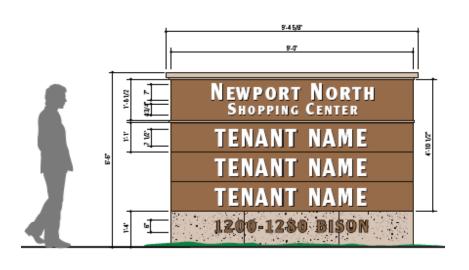


Sign Type I

- Existing multi-tenant monument sign
- Increase area from 72 sq. ft. to 81 sq. ft.
- Increase height from 8 ft. to 9 ft.

Project Details



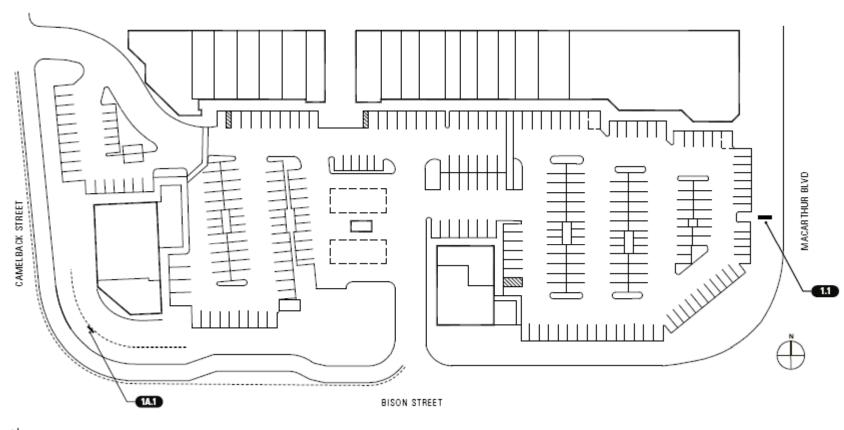


Sign Type IA

- New multi-tenant monument sign
- 56 sq. ft. in area
- 6-ft., 6-in. in height

Site Plan





1 SITE/SIGN LOCATION PLAN SCALE N.T.S.

The Appeal



- Authority of the Zoning Administrator
 - Sign type not listed in North Ford PC
 - Inappropriately used Zoning Code standards
- Impact to adjacent residences
 - Illumination
 - Neighborhood compatibility

ZA Authority



- Zoning Code may be applied when PC is silent
- Height, area, and number of signs may be modified via a modification permit
- North Ford PC does not prohibit consolidation of individual identification ground signs

Neighborhood Compatibility

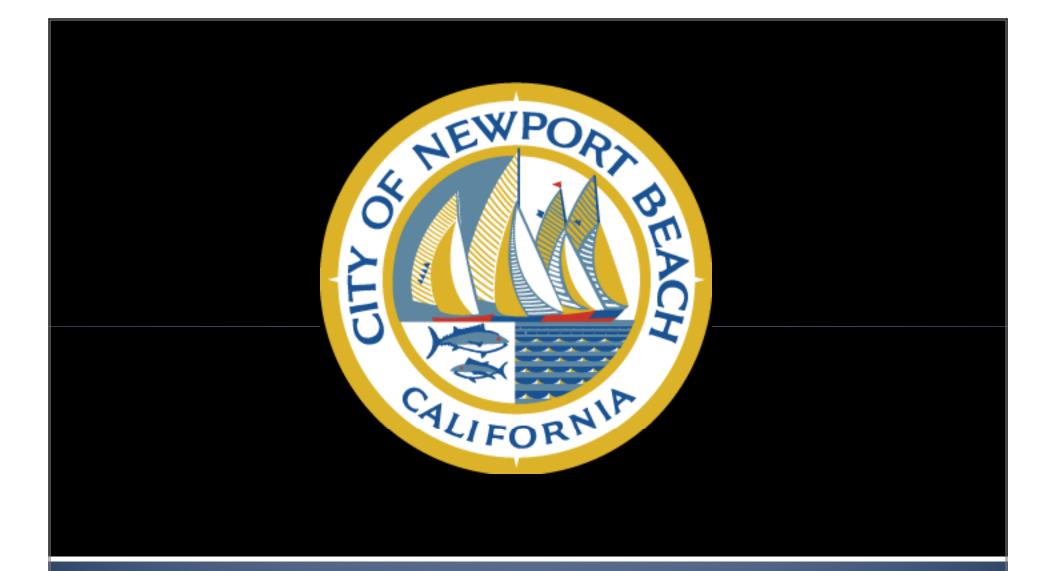


- Illumination
 - No illumination after 10:00 pm
 - No perceptible increase in ambient lighting
- Neighborhood Character
 - Typical of neighborhood center signage
 - No significant change to visual character

Next Steps



 Any action of the Commission may be appealed to the City Council within 14 days of the decision



For more information contact:

Patrick J. Alford, Planning Manager 949-644-3235 palford@newportbeachca.gov www.newportbeachca.gov